## **INFORMATION BULLETIN**



## JOB TRAINING PARTNERSHIP ACT

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SUBJECT: TITLE III DISLOCATED WORKER FUND AVAILABILTY

This information bulletin provides Service Delivery Areas (SDA) with an update regarding the status of the Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA) Title III 40 Percent funds. Funding requests for the Program Year 1999/2000 have been significantly higher than in past years and have resulted in some restrictions in our ability to distribute these funds. There are no funds available in the Title III 40 percent account as of the end of September 1999. There are several projects seeking funding. Therefore, it is imperative that management strategies are implemented immediately to ensure the availability of funds for future needs. We are proactively reviewing past funding commitments on an ongoing basis to ensure maximum fund utilization and availability. Due to the dynamic nature of the 40 percent special projects, funding needs change often. The Job Training Partnership Division Program Managers have been asked to review each 40 percent project for fund availability and projected usage. While it appears past funding commitments can be adjusted, the program managers will work with the involved parties to accomplish this. The 40 percent commitments of EDD Operations Branch are also being reviewed.

Additionally, assistance will be sought through applications to the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) National Reserve Account (NRA) for worker dislocations. Eligible applicants for NRA funding include states, SDAs, employers, representatives of employees, Native American tribal entities, and other entities. The NRA Guidelines were published in the Federal Register dated Wednesday, September, 25, 1996, entitled JTPA: Title III NRA Grants—Application Procedures; Notice. These guidelines are available at:

## http://www.doleta.gov/regs/fedregs/notices/96\_24535.htm

Historically, SDAs have developed NRA applications with assistance from the State and the State has forwarded them on behalf of the Governor to DOL as the applicant. This process has succeeded in the award of over \$327 million of NRA grants to California SDAs since 1989. We suggest, as the need arises, that SDAs work closely with their assigned program managers who can provide in-depth technical

assistance in the development of applications. Attached is a state JTPA NRA Application Guide with forms. This guide should be used in conjunction with the federal regulations previously cited.

If you have any questions, please contact your program manager.

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Attachment is available in our Resource Information Center by clicking the link below. Copies may also be obtained by e-mailing JTPD at <a href="mailto:JTPDLIB@EDD.CA.GOV"><u>JTPDLIB@EDD.CA.GOV</u></a> (subject line should read: "Attachment") or by contacting Gia Valla at (916) 654-7686.

JTPA National Reserve Account Application Guide